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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1722

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hideaki TANAKA

Group Art Unit: 1722

Application No.: 10/073,409

Examiner: J. Mackey

Filed: February 13, 2002

Docket No.: 111867

For: TIRE VULCANIZING MOLD

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the August 12, 2004 Office Action, the period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.